providing goods or services to a railroad; and any employee of such owner, manufacturer, lessor, lessee, or independent contractor) who violates any requirement of this part or causes the violation of any such requirement is subject to a civil penalty of at least \$650 and not more than \$25,000 per violation, except that: Penalties may be assessed against individuals only for willful violations, and, where a grossly negligent violation or a pattern of repeated violations has created an imminent hazard of death or injury to persons, or has caused death or injury, a penalty not to exceed \$105,000 per violation may be assessed. Each day a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense. See appendix A to this

part for a statement of agency civil penalty policy.

[63 FR 11623, Mar. 10, 1998, as amended at 69 FR 30595, May 28, 2004; 72 FR 51197, Sept. 6, 2007; 73 FR 79703, Dec. 30, 2008; 77 FR 24422, Apr. 24, 2012]

#### § 233.13 Criminal penalty.

Whoever knowingly and willfully—

- (a) Makes, causes to be made, or participates in the making of a false entry in reports required to be filed by this part; or
- (b) Files a false report or other document required to be filed by this part is subject to a \$5,000 fine and 2 years imprisonment as prescribed by 49 U.S.C. 522 and 49 U.S.C. 21311.

[49 FR 3379, Jan. 26, 1984, as amended at 79 FR 37669, July 2, 2014]

#### APPENDIX A TO PART 233—SCHEDULE OF CIVIL PENALTIES 1

	Section	Violation	Willful viola- tion
233.7 Signal	ents resulting from signal failure I failure reports rved]	\$2,500 5,000	\$5,000 7,500

<sup>1</sup>A penalty may be assessed against an individual only for a willful violation. The Administrator reserves the right to assess a penalty of up to \$105,000 for any violation where circumstances warrant. See 49 CFR part 209, appendix A.

 $[53\ FR\ 52936,\ Dec.\ 29,\ 1988,\ as\ amended\ at\ 63\ FR\ 11623,\ Mar.\ 10,\ 1998;\ 69\ FR\ 30595,\ May\ 28,\ 2004;\ 73\ FR\ 79704,\ Dec.\ 30,\ 2008;\ 77\ FR\ 24422,\ Apr.\ 24,\ 2012;\ 79\ FR\ 37669,\ July\ 2,\ 2014]$ 

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